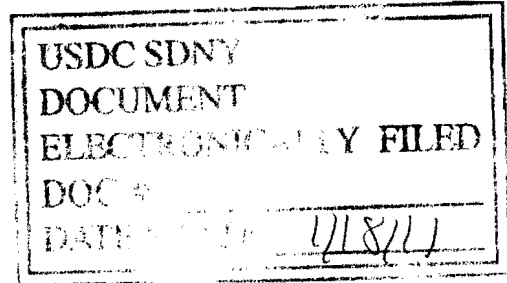


**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**



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IN RE: METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL :
ETHER ("MTBE") PRODUCTS :
LIABILITY LITIGATION :
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This document relates to:

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**ORDER PURSUANT TO RULE 502(d) OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF
EVIDENCE**

SHIRA A. SCHEINDLIN, U.S.D.J.:

1. If, in connection with this litigation, information subject to a claim of attorney-client privilege or attorney work product protection is disclosed ("Disclosed Protected Information"), the disclosure of the Disclosed Protected Information shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver or forfeiture of any claim of privilege or work product protection that a party would otherwise be entitled to assert with respect to the Disclosed Protected Information and its subject matter either in this litigation or in any other federal or state litigation.

2. A party may assert, in writing, the attorney-client privilege or work

product protection with respect to Disclosed Protected Information. The receiving party shall, within ten business days of receipt of that written assertion, return, sequester, or destroy all copies of the Disclosed Protected Information and provide a certification of counsel that all such Disclosed Protected Information has been returned, sequestered or destroyed.

3. Within ten business days of the notification that such Disclosed Protected Information has been returned, sequestered or destroyed, the party claiming privilege shall produce a privilege log with respect to the Disclosed Personal Information.

4. The receiving party may move the Court for an order compelling production of the Disclosed Protected Information (a "Privilege Motion"). The Privilege Motion shall be filed under seal and shall not assert waiver as a ground for entering such an order based solely on the fact or circumstances of the production.

5. The party claiming privilege retains the burden of establishing the privileged or protected nature of any Disclosed Protected Information. Nothing in this Paragraph shall limit the right of any party to petition the Court for an *in camera* review of the Disclosed Protected Information. Documents that are produced that contain privileged information or attorney work product (and all

copies of such documents) shall be immediately returned if the documents appear privileged or appear to be attorney work product.

SO ORDERED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shira A. Scheindlin', is written over a horizontal line.

Shira A. Scheindlin
U.S.D.J.

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